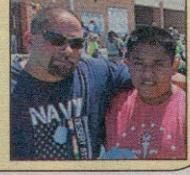


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During Monday evening's Elba City Council meeting

City leaders announce All In Credit Union coming to Elba

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the Elba City Council meeting held Monday evening, April 8, council members received more good economic news for the city as it was announced All In Credit Union plans to soon open a branch in the city.

According to Mayor Tom Maddox, All In Credit Union has purchased the building that formerly housed the Wells Fargo bank branch in Elba.

"They are coming to Elba," the mayor said in reference to All In Credit Union.

Delving a bit deeper into the news, city clerk Sally Bane said All In is first looking at installing an ATM [Interactive Teller Machine] and an ATM [Automated Teller Machine] while reno-

vations are underway inside the building. She said the credit union would later this year open the inside portion of the business for in-person transactions.

Also, city officials noted in a work session prior to the council meeting Monday night that All In Credit Union officials are interested in leasing out portions of the building at 402 Collier Street as they renovate the inside of that building.

Council member Jane Brunson noted she had recently realized that Wells Fargo had removed the ATM it left operational at the 402 Collier Street address when the bank closed.

She inquired as to whether there was any news on Wells Fargo putting in another ATM in the city for its customers, and Bane said

work is underway in the parking lot at the Shoppes at Taylor Crossing [Alabama Hwy. 203] to construct a stand-alone ATM for Wells Fargo customers. There was no further information, however, on when that ATM might be finished and ready to use.

Also, during Monday evening's council meeting, Mayor Maddox said he had received the 'Project Development Agreement' from Jack's to proceed with that business project. City attorney Bart Boothe said if the numbers are correct in the agreement, the next step would be to hold a public hearing on the matter before the council votes to approve the agreement. Council members discussed holding the public hearing on Monday, April 22, at 5 p.m.



THREE VEHICLE WRECK REPORTED TUESDAY AFTERNOON AT CURTIS COMMUNITY INTERSECTION... The U.S. Hwy. 84/Alabama Hwy. 141 intersection in the Curtis community of Coffee County became the sight of a three-vehicle collision Tuesday afternoon, April 9, around 2:30 p.m. Upon arrival on scene, emergency responders found that all three vehicles involved in the wreck sustained significant damage. Reportedly, there was a total of five people involved, and two were transported to area hospitals to receive medical treatment. One of the two injured was airlifted from the scene while the other was transported by ambulance. According to officials, this is the fourth accident at the intersection already for 2024. The photo above shows heavy damage to the front end of one of the three vehicles involved in the wreck. No further details were available as of press time Tuesday evening.

Kinston School gets new assistant principal for next school year with school board vote

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Coffee County Board of Education members voted to approve several personnel matters recommended by Superintendent Kelly Cobb last Thursday evening, April 4, during the board's regular monthly meeting.

Among those approvals was the employment of Shasta Barron as assistant principal for Kinston

School for the 2024-2025 school year.

Currently, Barron serves as reading specialist at Zion Chapel, and she will continue in that role the remainder of the current school year.

Additional hires made for next school year includ-

Sonya Galloway, reading specialist at New Brockton Elementary; and Abigail Grantham, teacher at Zion Chapel Elementary.

Four teacher resignations were accepted and approved by the board – all effective May 24th. These includ-

ed: Marion Jury, teacher at New Brockton Elementary; Heather Strickland, teacher at New Brockton Elementary; Nicole Shopek, Spanish/ELL teacher at New Brockton High; and Amanda Martin, teacher at Kinston.

Also, the board approved the transfer of teacher Rose Oswald from New Brockton Elementary to Zion Chapel Elementary for the 2024-2025 school year.

Regarding support personnel, Haylee Hutchison, was approved for employment as an auxiliary Pre-K teacher at New Brockton Elementary for the 2024-2025 school year.

At the conclusion of the meeting, board members were treated to a sample of the CNP department's new "Moo-Brew" beverage that is now being offered in the lunchroom of the schools. This is made possible through a grant the school system received.



Coffee County board member Brian McLeod makes a "Moo-Brew" drink to taste-test following the school board meeting last Thursday evening. Assisting McLeod in making his drink is Coffee County Schools CNP director Betsy Wood. Moo-Brew is a new drink offered in the lunchrooms at the Coffee County Schools.



BEACON OF HOPE COMES TO ELBA... The Elba Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony Monday afternoon, April 8, for the new Beacon of Hope ABA location in Elba. The Elba office opened this month. Beacon of Hope ABA provides services to children with autism. The new Elba office, located on Claxton Avenue, is open Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. For assistance or more information, call (334) 389-0381. Above, Beacon of Hope ABA employees were joined by city and chamber officials, local queens, and friends of Beacon of Hope for Monday's ribbon cutting. Elba Mayor Tom Maddox officially 'cut the ribbon' to welcome Beacon of Hope ABA to the city. Later that evening, the Beacon of Hope ABA employees also attended the Elba City Council meeting where Mayor Maddox and the city council approved a proclamation recognizing the month of April as Autism Awareness Month.

Area Happenings

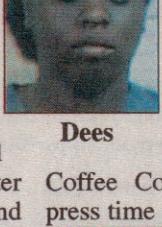
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Elba is participating in the Alabama Tourism Department's annual April Walking Tours, and the next Elba tour will be Saturday, April 27. The Elba Chamber of Commerce will guide the free tour starting at the new Chamber of Commerce office, 345 W. Davis Street, on the Square. The tour will continue through the downtown Elba area to showcase the history and heritage of the area. The tour will start at 10 a.m.



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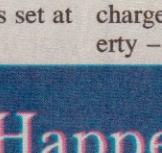
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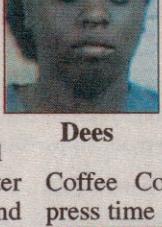
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EDITORIAL

Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Tuesday, April 2, 2024, through Monday, April 8, 2024, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center –

Tuesday, April 2 – Suspicious circumstances reported at 1245 Martin Luther King Dr (3:11 a.m.); Burglary reported on the Troy Hwy (5:40 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 595 Newton St (7:08 a.m.); River Rescue needed at 120 Old Samson Rd (3:40 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 2803 Hickman Ave (5:26 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 331 Putnam St (9:52 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 1269 Highland Dr (10:14 p.m.). Seven traffic stops

resulted in two citations, four written warnings, and one verbal warning.

Wednesday, April 3 – Suspicious person reported at Elba City Hall (5:47 a.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 1245 Martin Luther King Dr (10:01 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at 928 Sunset Blvd – w/citation issued (4:12 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1229 Caroline St (8:13 p.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in one citation, one verbal warning, and two written warnings.

Thursday, April 4 – Verbal altercation reported at 563 County Rd 501 (6:34 a.m.); Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle reported at 220 County Rd 401 (7:07 p.m.); Suspicious person

reported on County Rd 407 (10:47 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, three citations, and one verbal warning.

Friday, April 5 – Theft of property reported at 1315 Hickman Ave (10:01 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at 992 Hwy 203 (3:43 p.m.); Grass fire reported at 606 Kendrick St (6:16 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported in area of Jackson Ave and Martin Luther King Dr (8:29 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in two written warnings, two verbal warnings, and one citation.

Saturday, April 6 – Suspicious person reported at 991 Hwy 203 (1:08 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 638 Claxton Ave N (1:36 p.m.); Assault reported on Kendrick St (5:26 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported on Yelverton Ave (5:45 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 979 County Rd 239 (8:23 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, one citation, two written warnings, and one advice given.

Sunday, April 7 – Civil complaint reported at 1584 Caroline St (10:37 a.m.); Harassment reported at 1565 Powell Circle (1:44 p.m.). Eight traffic stops resulted in four citations, and four written warnings.

Monday, April 8 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 638 Claxton Ave N (12:39 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at Hwy 84 and Neil Grantham Dr (1:39 a.m.); Shoplifter reported at 638 N Claxton Ave (7:32 a.m.); Shoplifter reported at 638 N Claxton Ave (11:10 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 994 Hwy 203 (6:29 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at Smith Ave and Flatts Dirt Rd (9:28 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, and one written warning.

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During the Coffee County Board of Education meeting held Thursday evening, April 4, Superintendent Kelly Cobb noted recent accomplishments of the New Brockton Elementary School Robotics Team (pictured above). On Saturday, March 16, the team participated in the VEX competition held at Wetumpka High School. The New Brockton teams finished third, fourth, and seventh overall in the event. Cobb said New Brockton Elementary School and the Coffee County School System is very proud of the team for these accomplishments, but she said she is most proud of the students for being recognized for their outstanding teamwork and sportsmanship at the event. Cobb said this is an exciting new program for the school, and she looks forward to seeing it grow and excel.

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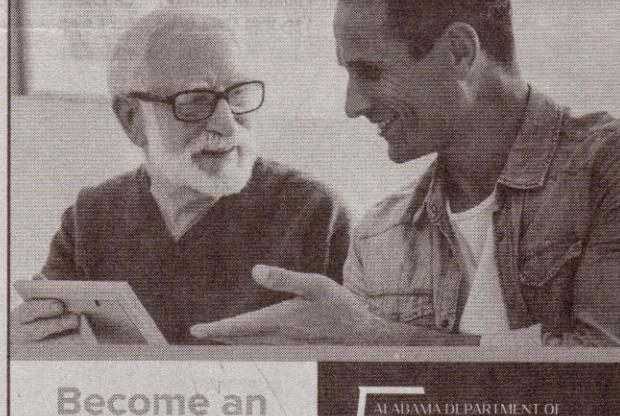
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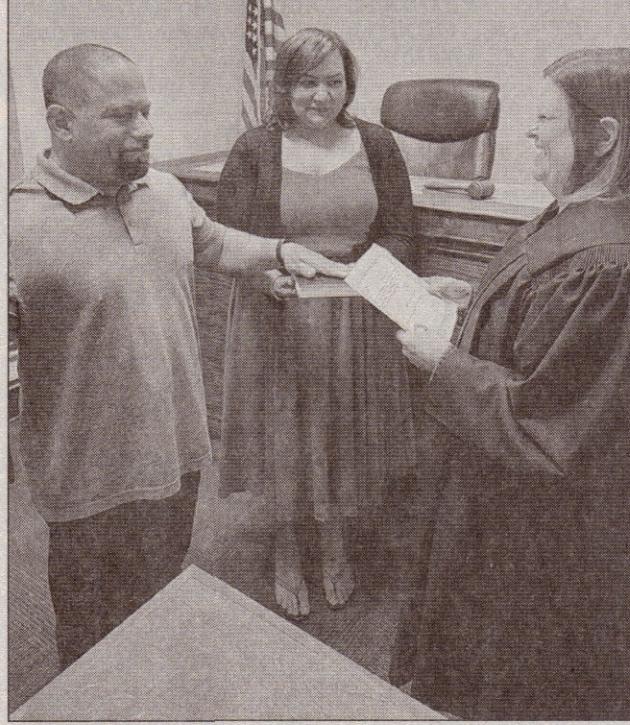
Denying rezoning request**Elba City Council affirms recent zoning board recommendation**

The Elba City Council held a public hearing Monday evening, April 9, to hear public input regarding a rezoning request for a parcel of land, located at 0 Hickman Avenue.

Two people spoke at the hearing - one a nearby resident to the property in question and the other a local attorney representing the family wishing to sell the property. The request was to rezone from R-2 to

B-2 to allow for a billboard to be constructed on the property.

During the Elba City Council meeting held after the public hearing, the city council voted to affirm a recent decision from the Elba Zoning Board to deny the rezoning request. Mayor Tom Maddox said the main reason the zoning board recommended the denial was to avoid the perception of "spot" zoning.

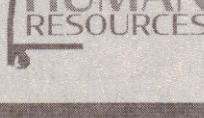


Allan Rodriguez was sworn-in Friday, March 15, to serve the remainder of the current municipal term as District One Councilman for the Town of New Brockton. The oath of office was administered by Coffee County Probate Judge Jodee R. Thompson. Also, pictured is Councilman Rodriguez's wife.

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The Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise recently presented a check to the Boys and Girls Club of Enterprise to support their ongoing service to the children in this area. Pictured are Director Sherrell Doby and LPCE President Debbie Shelton.

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If you choose to go the pre-need route, then you will make those arrangements at the location of the funeral provider. This meeting is usually called a pre-need conference or arrangement conference.

The first thing to do is sit down and think about things beforehand. While you certainly do not need to make all your decisions before the arrangement conference, it can help give you a sense of what your wishes are.

It is often comforting to take someone else with you to the arrangement conference. You may want to take a trusted family member who knows you well, knows your preferences, and also has knowledge of your financial situation. It can also be helpful to have a family member with you so that they will be fully aware of your choices. However, keep in mind that this is your funeral and the decisions to be made are fully yours. If you feel that a family member will try to sway you towards something you don't want to do, it is best to have the meeting without them. The funeral director will listen to your wishes and record them.

Once you have your meeting, don't be afraid to ask to take the contract home to review it. Make sure the payment terms are affordable for you and favorable. If you have a lawyer or financial advisor you can also have them look over the contract.

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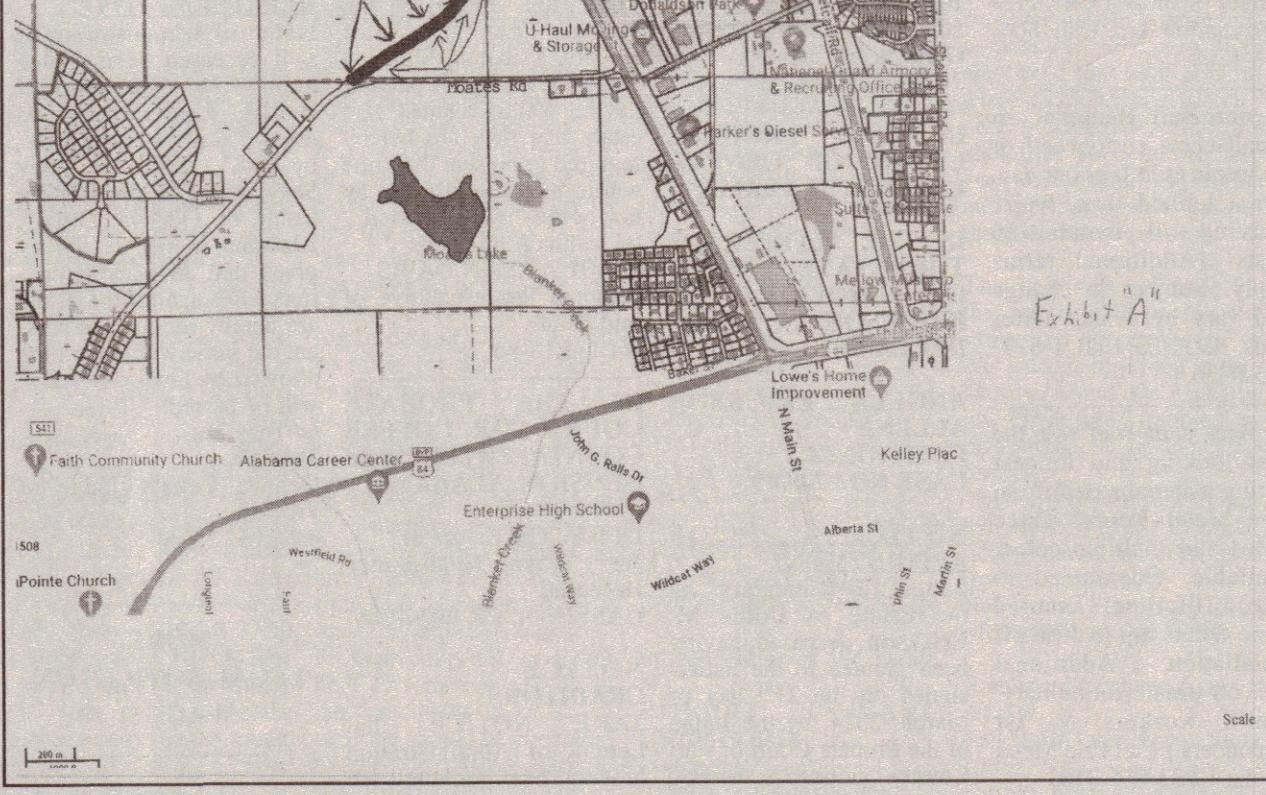
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON VACATION OF AN UN-NAMED ROAD

At its regularly scheduled meeting on May 13, 2024, at 9:00 am, at the Coffee County Complex, Commission Meeting Room, 1065 E. McKinnon Street, New Brockton, Alabama 36351, the County Commission of Coffee County, Alabama will hold a public hearing on the vacation of an un-named road, proposing to vacate said purported road and right of way described as follows:

That purportedly abandoned, un-named road of unknown width allegedly running from Moates Road and running in a northeasterly direction through the South one-half of the Southeast Quarter, Section 6, Township 4N, Range 22E, and the North one-half of the Southeast Quarter in said Section 6, Township 4N, and Range 22E, and also allegedly running along, near and slightly over the eastern boundary line of said Southeast quarter, and continuing northeast running through a portion of the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 5, Township 4N, Range 22E and Southwest quarter and corner of the Northwest quarter of Section 5, Township 4N, Range 22E to where said purported road intersects with U.S. Highway 84, all of said purported road and the real property described above being located on west side of U.S. Highway 84 and north of Moates Road (For informational purposes see Coffee County Revenue Commissioner's Office Parcel Nos. 19-16-03-06-4-000-001.00; 19-16-03-06-4-000-002.00; 19-16-03-05-2-000-013.001; 19-16-03-05-3-000-004.000; and, 19-16-03-05-3-000-004.000). See map attached hereto as Exhibit "A," incorporated herein by reference.

Any citizen alleging to be affected by the proposed vacation may submit a written objection to the Commission at the following address: Coffee County Complex, 1065 E. McKinnon Street, New Brockton, Alabama 36351, Attention: County Administrator, or may request an opportunity to be heard at the said public hearing. Immediately after said public hearing, the County Commission will take up, consider, and vote upon a proposed resolution approving said vacation.

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**Obituaries**Obits are updated regularly on our website: www.elba-clipper.com**BETTY K DAVIS**

Mrs. Betty K Davis, age 81, of Opp, Ala., died Monday, April 8, 2024, at Mizell Memorial Hospital in Opp, Ala. Survivors include her sons: John Kevin (Mary Katherine) Davis, Elba, Kenneth Bryan (Karen) Keith, Dothan, Ala.; granddaughters: Lauren (Nick) Harris, Ja'Kaiya Myers, and Briana Keith, all of Dothan; brother: Jimmy (Faye) Bedsole, Opp; sister: Mary Sue Carnley, Ino community; and her many nieces and nephews.



Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 10, 2024 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, Ala., beginning at 10 a.m., with Rev. Gary Miller officiating. Burial followed in the Friendship Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Visitation was at Hayes Funeral Home on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, from 9-10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to the Friendship Cemetery fund. Donations can be sent to Friendship Cemetery Fund 3075 County Rd 460 Samson, AL 36477-3712.

Mrs. Davis was preceded in death by her husband - Roy Frank Davis, daughter

- Deborah Davis, brothers - James Bedsole, and John Quince Bedsole, sister - Merle Rhodes, father - Alvin Bedsole, and her mother - Annie Bedsole. Survivors include her sons: John Kevin (Mary Katherine) Davis, Elba, Kenneth Bryan (Karen) Keith, Dothan, Ala.; granddaughters: Lauren (Nick) Harris, Ja'Kaiya Myers, and Briana Keith, all of Dothan; brother: Jimmy (Faye) Bedsole, Opp; sister: Mary Sue Carnley, Ino community; and her many nieces and nephews.

LORE SMITH

Ms. Lore Smith, age 47, of Elba, Ala., died Sunday, April 7, 2024, following an extended illness.

Lore, a lifelong resident of Elba, was a member of the Elba High School Class of 1994.

Coleman Funeral Home of Elba is assisting the Smith family with arrangements that will be announced at a later time.

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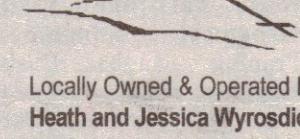
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Enterprise Mayor, council recognize Alabama spelling bee champion... Enterprise Mayor William E. Cooper last Tuesday, April 2, recognized Ayden Nguyen for winning the Alabama State Spelling Bee. Nguyen, a 5th grader at Hillcrest Elementary School, competed against 52 students from across Alabama at the competition in Birmingham. After 17 rounds and almost four hours later, he won the title with the word 'dysphagia'. Nguyen advances to the Scripps National Spelling Bee next month in Washington, DC. He and his family will have their expenses paid for the trip by the Alabama District of Kiwanis Foundation. Pictured, left to right: (front row) Cindy Nguyen, David Nguyen, Ayden Nguyen, Mayor William E. Cooper, Councilwoman Sonya Rich, and Councilman Eugene Goolsby; (back row) Council President Turner Townsend, Councilman Scotty Johnson, and Councilman Greg Padgett.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA.
CASE NO.: 2024-715
IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF: BABY BOY BACON, DOB 09/04/2017 Minor

NOTICE TO: ANY UNKNOWN FATHER, the natural father of Baby Boy Bacon, whose address is unknown. You will take notice that a Petition for the Adoption of Baby Boy Bacon born to Harley Malinda Mychelle Clark, Natural Mother, was filed on the 18 day of March 2024, alleging that the whereabouts of any unknown father, the natural parent of said minor child is unknown to the court, and whose relationship of said natural parent to the aforesaid minor child is that of Natural Father.

Baby Boy Bacon's birth date is September 4, 2017.

Please be advised that a petition for adoption in the above styled manner has been filed in said Court by the Petitioner (s) and that the 23 day of April, 2024, at 3:30 o'clock P.m. has been set for hearing on the same in said Court in the City of Geneva, Alabama, and that

should you intend to contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days of the date of the last publication herein, with counsel for said Petitioner (s), whose name and address are as shown below and with the Clerk of the said Probate Court.

Done this 19 day of March, 2024.

Attorney for Petitioner (s):

Jeff Gray
109 N. Commerce St.
Geneva, AL 36340

3/28,4/4&11-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA.
CASE NO.: 2024-716

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF: BABY BOY CLARK, DOB 9/03/2016 Minor

NOTICE TO: ANY UNKNOWN FATHER, the natural father of Baby Boy Clark, born to Harley Malinda Mychelle Clark, Natural Mother, was filed on the 18 day of March 2024, alleging that the whereabouts of any unknown father, the natural parent of said minor child is unknown to the court, and whose relationship of said natural parent to the aforesaid minor child is that of Natural Father.

Please be advised that a petition for adoption in the above styled manner has been filed in said Court by the Petitioner (s) and that the 23 day of April, 2024, at 3:00 o'clock p.m. has been set for hearing on the same in said Court in the City of Geneva, Alabama, and that

should you intend to contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days of the date of the last publication herein, with counsel for said Petitioner (s), whose name and address are as shown below and with the Clerk of the said Probate Court.

Done this 19 day of March, 2024.

Attorney for Petitioner (s):

Jeff Gray
109 N. Commerce St.
Geneva, AL 36340

3/28,4/4&11-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DELOIS I. SMITH, Deceased.
CASE NO. PR-2024-052

NOTICE TO: ANY UNKNOWN FATHER, the natural father of Baby Boy Clark, born to Harley Malinda Mychelle Clark, Natural Mother, was filed on the 18 day of March 2024, alleging that the whereabouts of any unknown father, the natural parent of said minor child is unknown to the court, and whose relationship of said natural parent to the aforesaid minor child is that of Natural Father.

Please be advised that a petition for adoption in the above styled manner has been filed in said Court by the Petitioner (s) and that the 23 day of April, 2024, at 3:30 o'clock P.m. has been set for hearing on the same in said Court in the City of Geneva, Alabama, and that

should you intend to contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days of the date of the last publication herein, with counsel for said Petitioner (s), whose name and address are as shown below and with the Clerk of the said Probate Court.

Done this 19 day of March, 2024.

Attorney for Petitioner (s):

Jeff Gray
109 N. Commerce St.
Geneva, AL 36340

3/28,4/4&11-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TEDDY GLENN HOWELL, Deceased

CASE NO.: PR-2024-016

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of TEDDY GLENN HOWELL, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 27th day of March, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or they will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Judge of Probate

3/28,4/4&11-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA.
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF BRENT UNDERWOOD, Deceased

CASE NO.: 8688

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to Christopher David Underwood on the 4th day of April 2024, by the Honorable Toby Seay, Judge of the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Toby Seay
Toby Seay

Geneva County Judge of Probate

4/11,18&25-pd.

Joshua Thompkins, as Administrator of the Estate of Jerry Wayne Thompkins, deceased, on the 25th day of March, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee Thompson.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Joshua Thompkins
Joshua Thompkins, Administrator of the Estate of Jerry Wayne Thompkins, Deceased

3/28,4/4&11-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

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LEGAL NOTICES (con't from Page 4)

STATE OF ALABAMA,
GENEVA COUNTY.
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Default having been made under the terms and conditions of that certain mortgage dated the 23rd day of June, 2023, executed by **Cirilo Maya Mendoza and Amber Maree Pina to William Nathan Mathis**, a married man, which said mortgage is recorded in OR Book 1197, Page 400, recorded June 26, 2023, and said default continuing, the undersigned has elected to declare the entire indebtedness secured by said mortgage to be due and payable as provided in said mortgage, and notice is hereby given, that pursuant to law and the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, for cash, at the front door of the Geneva County Courthouse in Geneva, Alabama, during the legal sale hours on the 22nd day of April, 2024, the following described real estate, situated in Geneva County, Alabama, to-wit:

Parcel I:

One lot or parcel of land in Geneva County, Alabama as surveyed by The Boundary Hunter, LLC, as per plat dated October 19, 2022 and being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at an existing 1/2" rebar, cap #28576 marking the Southwest corner of Section 9, Township 1 North, Range 25 East and contains 1.50 acres, more or less.

Parcel III:

One lot or parcel of land in Geneva County, Alabama as surveyed by The Boundary Hunter, LLC, as per plat dated February 6, 2023 and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at an existing 1/2" rebar (cap #28576) marking the Southwest corner of Section 9, Township 1 North, Range 25 East, thence N83°56'13"E for a distance of 93.27 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Said land is located in the South Half of the SW1/4 of Section 9 and the North Half of the NW1/4 of Section 16, Township 1 North, Range 25 East and contains 1.50 acres, more or less.

Parcel IV:

One lot or parcel of land in Geneva County, Alabama as surveyed by The Boundary Hunter, LLC, as per plat dated February 6, 2023 and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at an existing 1/2" rebar, cap #28576 marking the Southwest corner of Section 9, Township 1 North, Range 25 East; thence N85°37'29"E for a distance of 676.08 feet to an existing 1/2" rebar, cap #28576 and the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence N00°36'50"W for a distance of 973.95 feet to an existing 1/2" rebar, cap #0621; thence S88°03'52"E for a distance of 489.86 feet to an existing 1/2" rebar, cap #28576 on the West Right of Way (R/W) line of Knight Road (50' R/W) (not paved); thence along said R/W line, along a curve to the right having a radius of 21,975.00 feet and arc length of 767.73 feet, with a chord bearing and distance of S01°55'16"E, 767.69 feet to an existing 1/2" rebar, cap #28576; thence continuing along said R/W line, along a curve to the right having a radius of 400.16 feet and arc length of 104.37 feet, with a chord bearing and distance of S06°33'05"W, 104.07 feet to an existing 1/2" rebar, cap #28576; thence continuing along said R/W line, along a curve to the right having a radius of 4,975.00 feet and arc length of 129.48 feet, with a chord bearing and distance of S59°28'05"W, 129.48 feet to an iron pin set (1/2" rebar, cap #CA 1143); thence leaving said RAW line, N00°36'50"W for a distance of 543.30 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Said land is located in the SW1/4 of the Section 9 and the NW1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 16, all in Township 1 North, Range 25 East and contains 15.59 acres, more or less.

Parcel II:

One lot or parcel of land in Geneva County, Alabama as surveyed by The Boundary Hunter, LLC, as per plat dated February 6, 2023 and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at an existing 1/2" rebar (cap #28576) marking the Southwest corner of Section 9, Township 1 North, Range 25 East; thence N83°56'13"E for a distance of 1237.71 feet to an iron pin set (IPS) (1/2" rebar, cap #CA 1143) on the East Right of Way (R/W) line of Knight Road (50' R/W) (not paved); thence leaving said R/W line, N89°04'47"E for a distance of 295.96 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Said land is located in the South Half of the SW1/4 of Section 9, Township 1 North, Range 25 East and contains 7.11 acres, more or less.

Said property will be sold "AS IS." Said property will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled thereto. No representation or warranty, expressed or implied, is made as to the title of said property. Said property is subject to any title deficiencies including but not limited to: any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Mortgage first set above. The debt secured by said Mortgage has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Mortgage. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in said Mortgage and by Alabama law. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation. Alabama law gives some persons who have interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand the rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.

16,875.94 feet and an arc length of 316.67 feet, with a chord bearing and distance of S59°15'36"W, 316.67 feet to an existing 1/2" rebar (cap #28576); thence continuing along said Northwest R/W line, S58°43'20"W for a distance of 131.20 feet to an existing 1/2" rebar (cap #28576) at the intersection of said Northwest R/W line of Bethesda Church Road and the above mentioned East R/W line of Knight Road; thence along said East R/W line, N14°01'22"E for a distance of 106.20 feet to an existing 1/2" rebar (cap #28576); thence continuing along said East R/W line, along a curve to the left having a radius of 450.16 feet and an arc length of 117.41 feet, with a chord bearing and distance of N06°33'05"E, 117.07 feet to an existing 1/2" rebar (cap #198258); thence continuing along said East R/W line, N00°55'13"xW for a distance of 93.27 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Said land is located in the South Half of the SW1/4 of Section 9 and the North Half of the NW1/4 of Section 16, Township 1 North, Range 25 East, and contains 1.50 acres, more or less.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

ROBERT GEORGE MCPHERSON,
Deceased
CASE NO. PC-2024-708

NOTICE

TO: Timothy McPherson
Whereabouts Unknown

YOU WILL TAKE NOTICE that Adam J. McPherson, as Executor of the Estate of Robert George McPherson, deceased, filed his Petition for Probate of Will and Letters Testamentary, on the 22nd day of February, 2024, and that the 8th day of May, 2024, at 10:30 o'clock A.M. has been appointed to hear said Petition. Said hearing will take place at the Geneva County Courthouse in Geneva, Alabama.

DONE this 4th day of April, 2024.

/s/ Toby Seay
Toby Seay, Judge of Probate
4/11,18,25&5/2-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of FREDDIE PEACOCK,
Deceased.
Case No. 24-724

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR SUMMARY DISTRIBUTION

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
GENEVA COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed by Derek Peacock on this the 2nd day of April, 2024, and that thirty (30) days after the publication hereof and pursuant to law, the Court shall enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of said decedent.

Done and dated this the 3rd day of April, 2024.

/s/ Toby L. Seay
Toby L. Seay
Judge of Probate
4/11-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF

Nancy Rae Waldrop Sartin
Deceased

CASE NO. PR-2024-062

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters of Administration having been granted to

Richard W. Whittaker as

Administrator for the Estate of

Nancy Rae Waldrop Sartin, deceased, on the

5th day of April, 2024, by the

Probate Judge, Coffee

County, Alabama, notice is

hereby given that all persons

having claims against

said estate are hereby

required to present the same

within time allowed by law

or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson

Hon. Jodee R. Thompson

Probate Judge, Coffee

County, Alabama

Richard W. Whittaker,

Administrator

300 Lee Street

Enterprise, AL 36330

(334) 393-5146

4/11,18&25-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of

ROBERT EARL CRAWFORD,

Deceased

Case No.: PR-2024-063

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary of

the Estate of Robert Earl

Crawford having been granted to

James Crawford,

Personal Representative,

on the 8th day of April, 2024

by the Honorable Jodee

R. Thompson, Probate

Judge for Coffee County,

Alabama, notice is hereby

given to all persons having

claims against said estate

to present the same within

time allowed by law for the

same will be barred.

DONE this the 8th day of

April, 2024.

/s/ Toby L. Seay

Toby L. Seay, Probate

Judge

4/11,18&25-pd.

Attorney for Mortgagee/
Transferee
24-005966
4/11,18&25-pd.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

CASE CV-24-11

PITTS ENTERPRISES INCORPORATED,

AN ALABAMA CORPORATION

Plaintiffs,

vs.

The following property known as the J. M. Folsom Homeplace situated on the South side of Hickman Avenue and particularly described and bound as follows:

Commencing at a concrete marker on the southside of Hickman Avenue, said point of reference being the northwest corner of what is known as the George Collier lot; thence N 57° 45'W a distance of 100.00 feet to the point of beginning (said point of beginning being the Northwest corner of the Charles Ellis lot); thence continuing N 57° 45'W a distance of 120.0 feet along the south side of Hickman Avenue to an abandoned alley thence S 32° 15' W along the margin of the abandoned alley for a distance of 132.9 feet to an 8 foot high chain link fence demarcating the northeastern margin of the Dorsey Trailers property. Thence S 58° 45'E a distance of 120.0 feet along said chain link fence; thence N 32° 15' E a distance of 133.0 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson

Jodee R. Thompson

Probate Judge

4/11-pd.

notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 21st day of February, 2024.

/s/ Toby L. Seay

Toby L. Seay, Probate

Judge

4/11,18&25-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RUFUS HALL, DECEASED (Summary Distribution) CASE NO. PC-2024-017

NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION FOR SUMMARY DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed in the Probate Court of Coffee County, Elba Division, Alabama on the 9th day of April, 2024, and that thirty (30) days after the notice of publication hereof, and pursuant to law, the Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the Estate of said deceased.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 9th day of April, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson

Jodee R. Thompson

Probate Judge

4/11-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF MARY HALL COOK, Deceased. CASE NO: PC2024-007

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to Terry Edward Hall on the 2nd day of April, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be forever barred. Witness my hand this the 2nd day of April 2024. Terry Edward Hall Personal Representative

Matt Brunson
Attorney for Estate
4/11,18&25-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF WILLIAM HENRY MULLINS, III, Deceased. CASE NO: PC2024-13

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to Bernadette Mullins on the 2nd day of April, 2024 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be forever barred. Witness my hand

SPORTS NEWS

Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our number one grandson Lawson went to an air show in Montgomery over the weekend, and while he admitted the stunts of the Blue Angels was 'pretty cool,' I think he probably enjoyed the food trucks just as much. Hey, teenage boys need food to grow!

For what it is worth....

*** **The Elba Tigers will hang up their cleats** before the high school baseball playoffs get started, but they didn't seem to mind last week as they swept a pair of doubleheaders on the road and are now officially on a winning streak. The Tigers made it look easy in all four wins over Daleville and Houston County, and their success was the combination of youth and experience coming together as eighth-grader Powell Bane and ninth-grader Easton McKelvy had big weeks, and joined with seniors Ty Sieving and Colin Arnold to open the month of April with four straight wins. The success of a team is always judged by its record. However, this team has grown step by step over the season and now appears to be playing its best baseball of the season.

*** **The Elba Lady Tigers battled 3A Pike County** to an eight-inning tie after the umpires chose to go to the house, but still remained undefeated as they posted three wins to go with the tie and are off to one of their best starts in years. One game that stood out for all the wrong reasons was a 12-2 win over Pleasant Home in which two Lady Tigers had to be taken to the hospital, another player passed out and five players were hit by pitches, which resulted in two players going to the doctor the next day for x-rays. All the walking wounded were back in the line-up by the end of the week, but the game proved that at times even softball is a contact sport.

*** **It was another busy week for area teams** in both baseball and softball as both seasons head toward the final turn. In baseball, New Brockton appeared to solve its recent woes with wins over G.W. Long and Pike County, and have their sights set on post-season play, while Kinston upped its winning streak to seven games, and in the process, posted an impressive road win over Brantley; Zion Chapel continued to play hard for all seven innings, but saw its losing streak reach three games; and, Brantley wrapped up its area title and will now begin to focus on even bigger goals that still lay ahead. Over on the softball field, Kinston ran its winning streak to eight games and appears ready to make a roll into the post-season, while Brantley wrapped up its area title and continued to be dominant against teams in its own class; Zion Chapel ran its winning streak to six games as it continued to add pages to the Lady Rebels softball history book; and, New Brockton saw its losing streak reach five games, but is much better than its record shows and can surprise anybody.

*** **Former Elba Tiger offensive coordinator Al Gilmore** officially began his tenure as the new head football coach at Geneva County last week and look for the excitement level to rise and the players to get on board as the enthusiastic coach takes the reins for the first time as a head coach at the high school level. Coach Gilmore was instrumental in getting players to join the football program at Elba High during his years with the Tigers, and will no doubt get the players out for football down at Hartford. I think it was time for Coach Gilmore to get the chance to be the head man at a program, and also think he will surprise folks with how quickly he changes the mind set at Geneva County and turns the Bulldogs into winners both on and off the field.

*** **In closing....** Alabama's loss to defending national champ UConn wasn't really a surprise to anyone in the world of college basketball. However, the fact the Crimson Tide actually advanced to the Final Four was a story in itself as the team overcame injuries to key players and a lack of experience in the post-season to win four straight games before being ousted. I have never really been a big fan of Coach Nate Oats, but he proved to me during the post-season that he can indeed be successful at the highest level and now must agree that Bama has one of the best coaches in the nation. To make it to the 'Final Four' in both basketball and football in the same year is quite a feat, and there is no doubt that the overall sports program at Alabama is still at 'high Tide!'

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Sweep two doubleheaders

Elba Tigers start a winning streak

Tigers wallop Daleville 24-8, 9-3

The Elba Tigers traveled to Daleville last Tuesday afternoon for a high school baseball double-header and enjoyed the ride back home after sweeping the Warhawks 24-8 and 9-3.

In the 24-8 opening win, the Tigers scored 9 runs in the first inning and added 15 runs in the second to post the three-inning win.

A leadoff single by Powell Bane in the top of the first and an RBI single by Kaleb Mitchell sparked the first inning fireworks, while the Tigers were aided in the inning by five walks, two hit batters and two Daleville errors.

Easton McKelvy had a one-out single to start the big second inning outburst and later added a 1 RBI single, while Collin Arnold drove in three runs on a pair of singles, Cameron Gray added a two-run double, and Powell Bane, Jay Wilson and Ty Sieving all added RBI singles as the Tigers lit up the scoreboard!

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Lady Tigers sweep Samson

The Elba Lady Tigers hosted Samson last Monday afternoon in varsity and junior varsity softball action and swept their opponents with the Lady Tigers posting a 12-6 win and the junior varsity claiming an exciting 9-7 victory.

In the 12-6 win, the Lady Tigers used a 5-run fifth inning to regain the lead and never looked back. Danielle Tidwell was hit by a pitch to open the game in the bottom of the first, raced to third on a sacrifice bunt by Kaleigh Russell and scored on a fielder's choice. Ana Caldwell hit a single, stole second and reached home on a throwing error, while Taylor Day entered the game as a courtesy runner for the Elba pitcher and scored on an RBI double by Ayrika Caldwell, and Caldwell scored on a passed ball to put the Lady Tigers up 4-2 after one inning.

Destinee Tidwell and Danielle Tidwell both delivered doubles in the second inning to help Elba regain the lead at 6-4, but Samson refused to quit and pulled even at 6-6 in the top of the fourth. The score was still tied in the bottom of the fifth, but the Lady Tigers regained command as they plated five runs to take an 11-6 lead.

A leadoff triple by Ayrika Caldwell ignited the fifth inning fireworks, while Alayvia Stinson had an RBI single, Destinee Tidwell added an RBI double, Kaleigh Russell added an RBI infield hit and the Lady Tigers took advantage of two Samson errors to take command.

Elba scored its final run

in the sixth when Ayrika Caldwell led off with a double, and courtesy runner Taylor Day raced home on an RBI double by A'Lyric Whitfield.

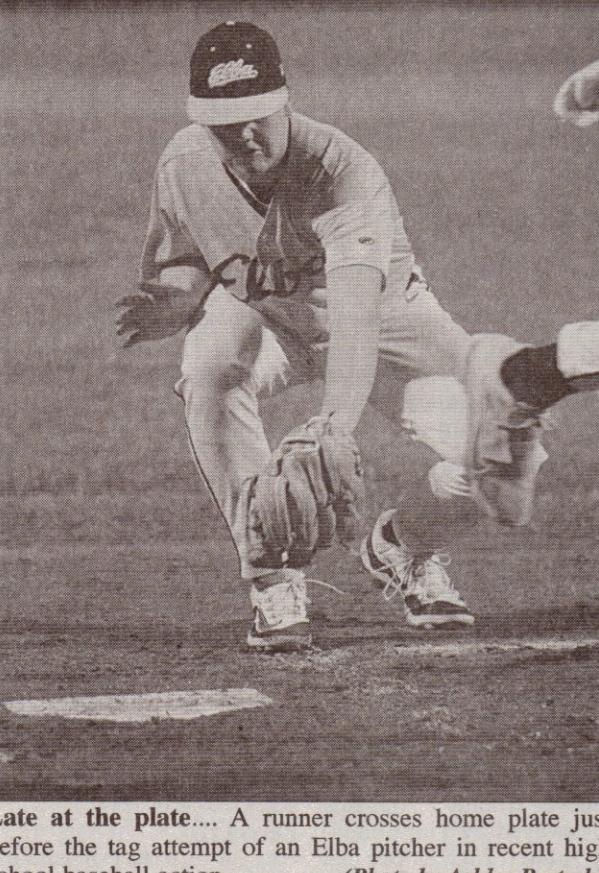
Ayrika Caldwell had 4 hits, including two doubles and one triple, and had 1 RBI to lead Elba at the plate, while A'Lyric Whitfield added 3 hits and 1 RBI; Destinee Tidwell added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 1 RBI; Alayvia Stinson added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 RBI; Ana Caldwell added 2 hits and scored 1 run; Kaleigh Russell added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI; Danielle Tidwell added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 RBI's; and, Taylor Day scored 2 runs.

Mary B. O'Neal and Ayrika Caldwell combined to pitch seven innings and allowed four earned runs on five hits and seven walks, while recording 15 strikeouts.

Junior Varsity

The Elba Lady Tigers closed a winning season with an exciting 9-7 win over Samson. The Lady Tigers jumped out to an early 9-2 lead and appeared headed for an easy win, but had to turn back a late rally to hold on and claim the narrow win. Shaylee Johnson had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 RBI's to lead Elba at the plate, while Jaden Caldwell added 1 hit and 1 RBI; Andrea Johnson added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; Emma Eldridge scored 2 runs; and, Channon Hooks, Miciah Smith, Payton Parks and Hope Richards all scored 1 run. Jaden Caldwell pitched three innings and allowed one earned run on three hits, with seven strikeouts.

High School



Late at the plate.... A runner crosses home plate just before the tag attempt of an Elba pitcher in recent high school baseball action.

(Photo by Ashley Bertsch)

Tigers claw Houston 13-3, 18-10

The Elba Tigers traveled to Houston County last Thursday night for an area doubleheader and came home after sweeping the Lions 13-3 and 18-10.

In the 13-3 win in the opener, the Tigers jumped out to a 12-0 second inning lead and never looked back to claim the lopsided road win. Consecutive singles by Powell Bane, Jay Wilson and Ty Sieving to open the game sparked a four-run outburst, while four straight walks to open the second inning and a key RBI double by Easton McKelvy in the second helped the Tigers plate 12 runs to blow the game open. Sieving also added a single and came around to score in the sixth to wrap up the scoring in the big 13-3 win.

Ty Sieving had 2 hits and scored 3 runs to lead Elba at the plate, while Powell Bane and Jay Wilson both added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; Easton McKelvy added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 RBI; Brady Johnson added 1 hit and scored 1 run; and, Cameron Gray scored 2 runs. Sieving and Wilson combined to pitch six innings and allowed three earned runs on four hits and four walks, with four strikeouts.

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SPORTS NEWS

Lady Tigers tie Bulldogs 8-8

The Elba Lady Tigers rallied from a 6-1 fifth inning deficit to pull even in the seventh, but failed to pull out the win against Pike County as the game ended with the score tied at 8-8, after eight innings of play.

A'Lyric Whitfield walked and came around to score in the third inning to put Elba on the scoreboard, but left the bases loaded in the inning and then stranded two more base runners in the fourth and watched as Pike County opened up a 6-1 lead heading into the sixth inning.

A walk to Alayvia Stinson and a bunt single by Kaleigh Russell sparked a sixth inning rally for the Lady Tigers, and while Elba again left the bases loaded, Destinee Tidwell came through with a clutch two-run double and Mary Brooklyn O'Neal adding an RBI single to cut the deficit to 4-4.

The Lady Tigers trailed 8-4 heading into the top of the seventh, but Russell

Lady Tigers win 12-2 in area

The Elba Lady Tigers continued their success against area foes last Tuesday night with a 12-2 win over Pleasant Home.

Elba failed to score in the opening inning, but bounced back in the second thanks to a pair of walks, a hit batter and two wild pitches to take a 2-0 lead.

A one-out single by Ana Caldwell and a two-out triple by Ayrika Caldwell sparked a 3-run outburst in the third inning as the Lady Tigers upped their lead to 5-0. However, Pleasant Home rallied in the fourth and plated two runs to cut the lead to 5-2.

Elba was still on top 5-2 heading to the bottom of the fifth, but exploded for seven runs to end the game due to the ten-run rule with the scoreboard reading

Lady Tigers trip Florala 13-3

The Elba Lady Tigers closed out a busy week on the softball field with a 13-3 area road win over Pleasant Home.

Destinee Tidwell was hit by a pitch and later scored on a sacrifice fly off the bat of Ana Caldwell, and Danielle Tidwell reached on a walk and later scored on a wild pitch as the Lady Tigers plated two runs in their first trip to the plate to grab an early 2-0 lead.

Florala pulled even at 2-2 in the second inning, but Elba regained the lead at 3-2 in the third when Ana Caldwell singled and promptly stole second, third and home.

The Lady Tigers carried the slim 3-2 lead into the fourth. However, they plated 10 runs in their half of the inning to open up a big 13-3 advantage. A leadoff single by Alayvia Stinson sparked the fourth inning fireworks, while

and Payton Parks both drew one-out walks to keep the inning alive, and a walk to A'Lyric Whitfield loaded the bases. Danielle Tidwell followed with a three-run triple and then crossed the plate on a wild pitch as Elba completed the comeback and pulled even at 8-8.

Mary Brooklyn O'Neal blanked Pike County in its final two trips to the plate, but the Lady Tigers were unable to push across the winning run and were forced to settle for the 8-8 tie.

Destinee Tidwell had 2 hits, scored 4 runs and had 2 RBI's to lead Elba, while Mary Brooklyn O'Neal added 2 hits and 2 RBI's, Danielle Tidwell added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 3 RBI's; Kaleigh Russell added 1 hit and scored 1 run; A'Lyric Whitfield scored 2 runs and Sydney Siler scored 1 run. Jadyne Caldwell and O'Neal combined to pitch eight innings and allowed five earned runs on 10 hits, with four strikeouts.

The Lady Tigers rallied from a 6-1 deficit to take command in an impressive 6-3 win over Brantley. Easton Parker had 2 hits and 2 RBI's to lead Kinston, while Brodie Walker added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 RBI's; and, Cade Jones added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Drew Branch pitched seven innings and allowed one earned run on four hits, with four strikeouts. AJ Kilpatrick had 1 hit and scored 1 run to lead Brantley, while Chaz Branum added 1 hit. Cooper Layton, Jon Harper Kilcrease, Thomas Williamson and Reese Odom combined to pitch seven innings and allowed two earned runs on four hits and seven walks, with seven strikeouts.

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Ariton 6 Zion Chapel 0 – The Zion Chapel Rebels failed to get on the scoreboard in a 6-0 loss to Ariton. Joseph LeGear had 2 hits to lead the Rebels, while Brodie Stinson, Wes Braisted, Macon Allen and Kavan Brown all added 1 hit. Austin Jordan pitched six innings and allowed six earned runs on 10 hits and three walks.

Ariton 12 Zion Chapel 2 – The Zion Chapel Rebels fell behind 7-0 in the second inning and never recovered in a 12-2 loss to Ariton. Austin Jordan had 2 hits and 1 RBI to lead the Rebels, while Brady Flowers added 1 hit and scored 1 run, Kavan Brown added 1 hit and Wes Braisted scored 1 run. Braisted and John Foster Hamm combined to pitch seven innings and allowed nine earned runs on 11 hits, with five strikeouts.

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Kinston 18 Emmanuel Christian 0 – The Kinston Bulldogs used a 12-run second inning to take command and coasted in with an 18-0 win over Emmanuel Christian. Drew Branch had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 RBI's to lead Kinston, while Jon Simmons and Judd Green both added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 3 RBI's; Easton Parker and Colby Tew both added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI; and CJ Lunsford added 2 hits and 3 RBI's. Cade Jones and Green combined to pitch a four-inning no-hitter with six strikeouts.

New Brockton 10 Pike County 0 – The New Brockton Gamecocks pulled ahead early and never looked back to blank Pike County 10-0. Riley Simmons had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI to lead the Gamecocks, while Payton Green added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI; and, Blake Peterson added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 RBI's. Trent Smith pitched a five-inning no-hitter with 12 strikeouts.

(BASEBALL)

Charles Henderson 8 Zion Chapel 3 – The Zion Chapel Rebels fell behind early and never caught up in an 8-3 loss to Charles Henderson. Macon Allen had 1 hit and 2 RBI's to lead the Rebels, while John Foster Hamm added 1 hit, and Brodie Stinson and Austin Jordan both scored 1 run. Dylan Davis, Wes Braisted, Jordan and Hamm combined to pitch six innings and allowed five earned runs on five hits and five walks, with four strikeouts.

New Brockton 8 G.W. Long 2 – The New Brockton Gamecocks used a 4-run third inning to grab the lead and never looked back to surprise G.W. Long 8-2. Payton Green had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 RBI's to lead the Gamecocks, while Riley Simmons added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI; Dylan Davis added 1 hit and 2 RBI's; and, Baylon Foster added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Hunter Bedsole, Hunter White, Josh Gutierrez and Trent Smith combined to pitch seven innings and allowed one earned run on three hits, with four strikeouts.

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Kinston 11 Geneva County 3 – The Kinston Bulldogs rallied from an early 2-1 deficit in a big 11-3 win over Geneva County. CJ Lunsford had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 4 RBI's to lead the Bulldogs, while Jon Simmons added 3 hits and scored 2 runs, Drew Branch added 2 hits and scored 3 runs, Lunsford pitched seven innings and allowed no earned runs on five hits, with six strikeouts.

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Brantley 18 Houston County 0 – The Brantley Lady Bulldogs used an 11-run first inning to take command and coasted in with an 18-0 win over Houston County. Brynne Kelley had 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 4 RBI's to lead Kinston, while Lili Sumblin and Camdyn Norris both added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI; Bella Lashley added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 1 RBI; and, Aubrie Brown added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 3 RBI's. Adelyn Jarrell and Lili Sumblin combined to pitch a three-inning no-hitter with eight strikeouts.

Zion Chapel 16 Goshen 1 – The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels scored in every inning to post a big 16-1 win over Goshen. Kennedy Hussey had 4 hits, scored 4 runs and had 3 RBI's to lead the Lady Rebels, while Amber Kidd added 3 hits and 4 RBI's; Shea Wambles added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI; and, Madison Meeks added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 RBI. Riley Bannin pitched four innings and allowed no earned runs on two hits, with eight strikeouts.

**KINSTON BULLDOGS CLINCH PLAYOFF BEETH**

The Kinston Bulldogs recent seven-game winning streak has locked up a berth in the upcoming Class 1A baseball playoffs.

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Zion Chapel 10 Pike Lib 0 – The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels led all the way to defeat Pike Lib 10-0. Riley Bannin had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 RBI's to lead the Lady Rebels, while Shea Wambles added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI; Sydney Boothe added 2 hits and scored 1 run; and, Amber Kidd added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 RBI's. Boothe pitched five innings and allowed no runs on one hit, with 11 strikeouts.

Opp 10 Brantley 0 – The Brantley Lady Bulldogs failed to get a runner on base in a 10-0 loss to Opp. Anna Little pitched four and two-thirds innings and allowed four earned runs on eight hits and four walks.

Kinston 7 Carroll 3 – The Kinston Lady Bulldogs took command late in a 7-3 win over Carroll. Madisyn Jones had 4 doubles, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI to lead Kinston, while Lauren Norris added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI; and, Bella Lashley added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Lili Sumblin and Lauren Norris combined to pitch seven innings and allowed two earned runs on six hits, with 17 strikeouts.

Brantley 11 McKenzie 0 – The Brantley Lady Bulldogs scored in every inning in an 11-0 win over McKenzie. Kaitlyn Piggott had 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 1 RBI to lead Brantley, while Anna Little added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 RBI's; Savannah Nichols added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 RBI's; and, Emma Crawley added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Little pitched a five-inning two-hit shutout with seven strikeouts.

Brantley 19 McKenzie 5 – The Brantley Lady Bulldogs used a 10-run first inning to take control and rolled to a 19-5 win over McKenzie. Alex Grimes had 3 hits, including a home-run, scored 4 runs and had 4 RBI's to lead Brantley, while Marley Kilcrease added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 RBI's; and, Hope Richardson added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 RBI's. Grimes tossed five innings and allowed three earned runs on four hits, while striking out seven.

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Tiger golfers place second in recent tri-match in Opp

The Elba Tiger golfers competed in a tri-match last week against Opp and Andalusia and placed second.

The Tigers fired a team total 340 to finish behind Opp at 335 and ahead of Andalusia at 341. Elba's Jay Wilson was medalist with a 74 and was followed by Trace Grantham 78, Alex Wisecup 88, Powell Bane

100 and Kade Harrison 103. Elba junior varsity scores included Cole Shehee 114, Andrew Wisecup 116 and Cole Astemborski 131.

Opp was led by Will Boyd with an 80, while Andalusia was led by Levi Hilburn with an 83.

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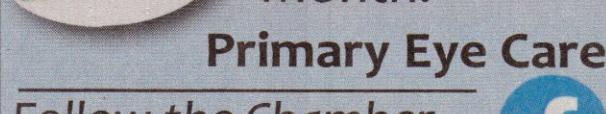
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CHURCH & LIFESTYLES



NEW BROCKTON COUNCILMAN VOLUNTEERS HIS TIME... New Brockton Town Council Member, District 1, Allan Rodriguez (left) volunteered Friday, April 5, at the Special Olympics event held at Enterprise High School. The event was a huge success and all involved had a great time! Councilman Rodriguez said he enjoyed participating in the event as a volunteer while also representing the Town of New Brockton. He is pictured above with several of the Special Olympians.

Coffee County Extension welcomes 4-H Youth Development Coordinator

The Coffee County Extension office welcomes Caitlin Keefover as the new 4-H Youth Development Coordinator in Coffee County.

Keefover began work Monday, April 1, with Alabama 4-H in the Coffee County office. She received her undergraduate degree in environmental sciences from Troy University and is currently dual enrolled in Master's degree programs in environmental education and parks and resource man-



Caitlin Keefover
agement.
Keefover has been the

environmental education project coordinator with the Troy University Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences where she has been delivering environmental education to high school youth. She also has worked with the Troy University Arboretum.

Keefover has extensive volunteer management experience and serves as the Sound of the South Auxiliary Coordinator with the Troy University band. "I am excited about the opportunity to work with youth through the 4-H program and expanding 4-H to reach more youth throughout Coffee County," she said.

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RWCC meeting set for Wednesday, April 17

The Republican Women of Coffee County (RWCC) will meet Wednesday, April 17, at 11 a.m., at the Enterprise Country Club, 3000 Ozark Highway.

Guest speaker will be Heather Moore, wife of Congressman Barry Moore. She will be sharing some

anecdotes from DC, an update on what's going on in Congress, and their vision for the new District 1.

Social time begins at 11; an optional \$15 buffet begins at 11:30; and the program begins at approximately 12 noon. Everyone

is invited, but reservations are required.

RSVP no later than Sunday, April 14, to Pam at email: rwclunchreservations@gmail.com Indicate if planning to eat.

For more information, call Pam at 334-806-8888.

ROUND AND ABOUT

w/ ERIA'S DAUGHTER

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Scripture: Psalm 6: 1-10

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Monique Hutchinson, Nursing Home Patients, Lizzie P. Wright, Vincent Smith, Verner Purvis, Larry Rogers, Gladys Wright

April Birthdays

Louise W. Harris 4/8
Cara Patterson 4/9
John Nelson 4/9
Rebecca W. Daniels 4/9
Marcus D. Kelley 4/10
Marlar R. Rideaus 4/10
Donald Smith 4/10
Jala Q. Smith 4/11
Caleb Martin 4/11
Michael Manning 4/12
Valerie Crawford 4/12

hurts and habits that must be addressed. While one person may not struggle with a certain type of temptation as another would, we all face temptation. One temptation for everyone to beware of is a periodic desire to shake our fists towards Heaven and cry, "You don't know what it's like down here!"

God does know what it's like. He has never been an absentee God. In Jesus we see clearly what has always been reality: God's willingness to suffer alongside of, and on behalf of, those created in His image. Jesus never sinned, but He certainly felt the stress of every temptation.

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Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 4/11/24

Q: Micah told his hearers that the Lord had brought them out of Egypt and "sent before" them three individuals. Who were they?

A: Moses, Aaron, Miriam [Micah 6:4]

Q: What three things did Micah say the Lord requires?

A: To do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God [Micah 6:8]

Q: Isaiah saw his vision of the Lord in the year of whose death?

A: King Uzziah [Isaiah 6:1]

Questions for the Week of 4/18/24

Q: One of the Seraphim approached Isaiah with something in his hand. What was it?

Q: What question did Isaiah hear the Lord ask?

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

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